RECORD

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church

Record of Church Conferences

From: July 5, 1980

to: _____

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church,
Stanley County, North Carolina met
July 5, 1980 and had prayer by
Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching
by Elder Charles Smith. After preaching
the church convened in Regular Conference.
The order of business was as follows:

1st Called for the spiritual health of the
Church. Found all at peace.
2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters
to seats. All present were seated.
3rd Called for reference or unfinished
business.
1) Report from Committee on sale of
House. Bro. Ray Ealey reported that
the Committee had several inquiries
about the House but no commitment
to buy as yet. The present occupants
of the House have also been given
notice to move in the near future.
4th Published an open door for the
reception of new members.
5th Called for new or miscellaneous
business.
1) Letter read from Concord Primitive
Baptist Church, Jay Florida asking
for Bro Bill and Sis. Margie
Allmon's letter of membership.
2) Motion made, seconded, and voted
unanimously that we forward Bro. Bill's
and Sis. Margie's letter to Concord
Church.
3) Letter read requesting the presence of
members, especially ordained, at the
ordination of Bro. Kenneth Austin and
Bro. Barry Dykes to the office of
Deacon at Union Grove Church on
August 8, 1980.

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4) Letter read from Pleasant Grove Church informing all Bear Creek Churches as to the apology made to that Church by Eld. Steve Garrett.

(All letters kept in Church file.)

6th Treasurer Report:

General Treasury	$ 53.21
Rcd on Land (Jan)	330.00
Land Fund Bal.	3,282.80.

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshael Gasby, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met August 2, 1980 and had prayer and preaching by Elder Charles Smith. After preaching by Eld. Smith the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows.

1st Called for the spiritual Health of the Church. Found all at peace.
2nd Invited visiting Brothers and Sisters to seats.
3rd Called for reports or unfinished business.

1) Report from Committee on sale of Town. Bro. Ray Eudy reported no interest had been shown in the property during July and the present tenant had not moved out at this time.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business:

1) Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously that Brothers Paul Stroupe, Alvis Lamont, and Fred Eudy serve as messengers from Mt. Aldon Creek Church to the Association held with Pleasant Hill Church during the third weekend in September, 1980 and Bro. Jerry ~~Tra~~ Carpenter serve as Alternate messenger.

2) Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously that the clerk write the letter of Representation to be read at the next Conference.

3) Bro. Paul Stroupe humbly spoke to the Church briefly regarding his background in the Missionary Baptist Church, his longing for the Primitive Church, and his present joy and peace among the Primitive Baptist churches and people.

4) Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously that Bro. Paul Stroupe be given liberty to speak in the stand during our conference meetings.

5) Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously that the Church request a 5th Sunday meeting in March and that August be included in the letter of Representation to the Association.

6th Treasurer's Report:

General Treasury	$36.05
Ridgeland (July)	297.00
Land Fund Bal.	3,579.80

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosby, Asst Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church,
Stanley County, N.C. met September 6, 1880
and Had prayer by Elder Charles Smith
followed with preaching by Bro. Paul Stroup
and Elder Charles Smith. After preaching
the Church convened in Regular Conference.
The order of business was as follows.

1st Called for the spiritual health of the
church. Found all at peace.

2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters
to seats. All present were seated.

3rd Called for reformation or unfinished
business. The letter to the association
was read and approved.

4th Published an open door for the
reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous
business.

6th Treasurers Report.
General Treasury Balance : $58.05
Land Fund Balance : 3,579.80
Minutes approved as read.
Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Fred Ensley, Asst. Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, NC met Saturday, October 4, 1980 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Brother Paul Stroupe and Elder Charles Smith. After preaching the Church commenced in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

- Bro. Hubert Allmon reported for the committee handling the sale of the Church. He told the Church that the previous Sunday had passed and the House was in need of repair.
- All messages from the association reported a most joyous and blessed meeting.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.

- Bro. Ray Eudy suggested delaying any cleanup effort at the Church's House until the big pillow that had been applied had had a chance to work
- Eld. Charles Smith asked the church if they would like to schedule an appointment for Eld. Marty Allen on Wednesday, October 15, 1980.
- It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that Eld. Marty Allen

(over)

~~##~~ be asked to speak at the Church on Wednesday, October 15, 1980.

- Bro. Ray Eudy suggested a memorial be written into the minutes and possibly sent to several newspapers in Bro. Claude Hathcock's behalf as he had been such a good and faithful servant. Such a motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously and the Church Clerk was designated to write the message.

- Bro. Ray Eudy moved that Bro. Paul Stroupe be allowed to speak at funerals when he was called upon as a friend of the family. The motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously by the Church.

- Bro. Howard Collins moved that Bro. Paul Stroupe be allowed to speak at other Churches within the Bear Creek Association during their conference meetings in the presence of other Elders. This motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously by the Church.

6th Treasurer's Report:

General Treasury Balance	:	$53.67
Remind a Land	:	120.00
Land fund Balance	:	3,720.35

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosney, Ch. Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church Stanley County N.C. met Saturday November 1, 1958 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Bro. Paul Stroupe and Elder Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

- Memorial letter to Bro. Cloud Hathcock read.
- Moved, seconded, and voted unanimous the above letter be accepted into the minutes, a copy be sent to the family, and to funeral papers.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business. Found non.

6th Treasurers Report.

- Funeral Treasury Balance $ 55.54
- Recd on land
- Total Land Balance $3,720.35

Ray Ensley Reported the following Memorial money gifts to the Cemetary fund

- $200 (Claud Hathcock)
- $175 (Nancy Hudson Lewis)

November, 1980

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshael Gosby, Church Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church met Saturday December 6, 1980 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Bro. Ronnie Williams, Bro. Paul Lloyd, and Elder Charles Smith. After preaching the Church commenced in Regular conference. The order of business was as follows.

1st Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business. Found none.

4th Published an open door for the reception of Members
. Bro. Clifford Neal professed his desire to call of his Baptism indefinitely. The baptism was called off.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business. Found none

December, 1980

6th Treasurer's Report.

- General Treasury Balance $105.54
- Received on land $390.00
- Total land balance $410.35

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Stanley, Church Clerk

1981

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday, January 3, 1981 and had prayer by Eld'r Charles Smith followed by preaching by Brother Paul Stroupe and Elder Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business. Found none.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.
(a) Motion made, seconded, and voted that Bro. Paul Stroupe be given additional ~~the~~ liberty for one year to speak at Sunday services at Meadow Creek Church; and, that that liberty be renewed at the January, 1982 conference.

Nov, 1980

M E M O R I A L

Brother Claud A. Hathcock

Brother Claud A. Hathcock, devoted husband, loving father, faithful member of Meadow Creek Church, and friend to many, passed away from this natural life September 22, 1980. Several years of sickness kept him separated from his regular church attendance but not from the minds, prayers, and visits of his brothers and sisters in the church. We all greatly mourn his departure and will long cherish our memories of this dear one who is most certainly this day with his blessed savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Brother Claud joined Meadow Creek Church on September 15, 1946 and remained a most faithful, kind, and giving member. His tireless and unfailing efforts toward the upkeep of the church, his most hospitable manner toward God's little children, and his quiet strength in the face of sickness and adversity will long stand as memorials to him in our hearts and minds.

He is survived by his faithful and loving wife Evelyn, four children, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Our prayer for them is that they may feel and understand God's grace and love supporting them during this period of sadness.

This memorial most respectfully submitted at the request of Meadow Creek Church during regular conference.

Elder Charles Smith, Pastor
Brother Marshall Gaskey, Church Clerk

That liberty be removed at the January 1982 conference.

January, 1981

(b) Elder Charles Smith expressed his thanks to the Church for their kindness to him during his time with us and further admonished the Church to vote our best in the matter of calling a pastor for this next year.

(c) Motion made, seconded, and voted ~~unanimously~~ unanimously that Elder Charles Smith be called as pastor for another year. Elder Smith accepted the call.

(d) Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously that Elder Kenneth Helms be called to fill an appointment at Meadow Creek Church on the third Sunday of each month.

(e) Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously that the following offices be filled by the Associated Brethren:

- Church Clerk - Marshall Gosney
- Assistant Church Clerk - Fred Eudy
- Church Treasurer - Howard Collins
- Heating and Air Conditioning Custodian - Ray Eudy

(f) Bro. Ray Eudy spoke about his feelings and experience regarding the number of times the doors of Meadow Creek Church are regularly open on Sunday each month. After speaking for several minutes he moved that the Church meet on the second and fourth Sundays as well as the first and third Sundays. This motion was seconded. Elder Charles Smith spoke to the Church regarding his feeling of this matter. Bro's Howard Collins, Jerry Carpenter, and Nelson Green spoke as to their feeling about this matter. The final vote on the matter was 24 in favor and 19 against. The motion was carried.

January, 1981

(g) The motion was made, seconded, and voted that Elder Charles Smith be called to fill the second Sunday Appointment. Elder Smith accepted the call.

(h) ~~Motion~~ The motion was made, seconded, and voted that Bro. Paul Stroupe be called to fill the fourth Sunday appointment. Bro. Stroupe accepted the call.

(i) Motion made, seconded, and voted that the reading of the Church roll, Rules of Decorum, and Church covenant be suspended until the February Conference.

(j) It was agreed that the second and fourth Sunday meetings would begin in January and that no lunch would be brought to them meeting.

6th Treasurer's Report:

General Treasury Balance	$50.74
Remind on Land	442.61
Total Land Fund Balance	$552.96

Approved as Read Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshael Gosby, Ch. Clk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, North Carolina met January 31, 1981 and had prayer by Bro. Paul Stroupe followed with preaching by Bro. Ronnie Williams and Elder Charles Smith. After preaching the Church commenced in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

3rd Called for reference on unfinished business.

Feb, 1891

(a) Moved, seconded, and voted that the Church membership roll be read today, the Rules of Decorum be read at the March Conference, and the Church Covenant be read at the April Conference.
(b) The Church membership roster was read.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business. Found none.

6th Treasurer's Report:

General Treasury Balance	$77.63
Received on Land	115.00
Total Land Fund Balance	4,667.96

Cemetery Fund Report:

Received	$150
Total Balance	6,400

Minutes Approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Hosley, Ch. Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday, February 28, 1891 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Bro. Paul Stroupe and Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in regular conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

Mar., 158'

2nd Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.
(a) Rules of Decorum read by Church Clerk.
(b) Bro. Howard Collins reported interest in the sale of the house.
(c) Moved, seconded, and voted that an amendment to the original motion to sell the house for $27,500. be made, that would allowed the sale committee to take a lesser offer of as much as $500. if this would cause the sale of the house and property.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.
(a) Eld. Smith announced he would be away during the first weekend in April.
(b) Moved, seconded, and voted that Eld. Merrell Sikes conduct the Saturday communion and service and Bro. Paul Stroupe conduct the Sunday morning service on the first weekend in April.

6th Treasurer's Report:

General Treasury Balance	$140.63
Revived or Held	155.00
Total Land fund Balance	4,822.96

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Stanley, Church Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday April 4, 1981 and had prayer by Bro. Paul Stroupe followed with preaching by Bro. Paul Stroupe and Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the Church comened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brethren and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

(a) The Church Covenant was read.

(b) Bro. Howard Collins reported the house had been sold to Mr. James D. Foy and his wife Barbara.

(c) The Church agreed to let Mr. Foy paint the house before they moved in. and the Trustees would act for the Church at the closing.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business. Found none.

6th Treasurers Report:

- General Treasury Balance	$ 136.60
- Remind on Land	0
- Land fund Balance	4,822.96

Minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Godley, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday May 2, 1981 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith followed with preaching by Bro. Paul Stroupe and Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brethren and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.

(a) Moved, seconded, and voted that the church enter into our annual communion service the first weekend in June, 1981.

(b) Moved, seconded, and voted that we still have only the afternoon service.

(c) Letter read from Liberty Hill Church stating the new time for their conference and announcing Eld. Ron Kerley as their pastor and his preaching time of the first Sunday morning of each month.

(d) Moved, seconded, and unanimously voted that Bro. Paul Stroupe be extended the liberty to preach at other Bear Creek Assn. Churches on Sundays and other days as he is so invited and that his liberty be extended only until Calling time (January 1982 Conf.

May, 1981

6th Treasurer's Report:

- ~~General~~ Treasury Balance	# 226.22
- Received on Land	- 0 -
- Land Balance	4,822.96

Minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gashey, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday June 6, 1981 and had prayer by Bro. Stan Snow followed by preaching by Eld. E.B. Watts and Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the church convened in Regular Conference. The ordering business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brethren and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business:
(a) Bro. Paul Strope asked the church's feelings regarding his participation in a wedding in October.
(b) Elder Smith suggested we think about the matter and return with comments at the next conference.

June, 1981

(c) Motion made, seconded, and voted that the church call it our first Sunday meeting in July to be with Liberty Hill at their Communion meeting.

6th Treasurer's Report
- General Treasury Balance #331.22

Minutes approved as read:

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosby, Church Clerk

Absent to June, 1981 conference:

3rd Unfinished business:

(a) Bro. Howard Collins reported the sale of the house for #27,564.50 and after paying off our debts the church was able to deposit #12,546.04.

(b) Motion made, seconded, and voted that the church give the Deacons and Trustees a standing vote of thanks for handling the purchase and sale of the aforementioned property. A standing vote of thanks was given.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, N.C. met Saturday July 4, 1981. After Prayer and preaching the church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brethren and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

Jul, 1981

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.

6th Treasurers Report
- General Treasury Balance $281.35
- Money on Interest $12,546.04

Minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Fred Eudy, Asst. Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday August 1, 1981 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith followed with preaching by Bro. Paul Stroupe and Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brethren and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

(a) Bro. Paul Stroupe announced he would

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only assist in an upcoming marriage ceremony and actually have no official part.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business:

(a) Church clerk read a letter from High Hill church announcing the ordination of Bro. Larry Austin to the full work of the gospel ministry on Saturday Sept. 5, 1981. Clerk also read a second letter from High Hill church inviting all sister churches to the annual Associational meeting during the third weekend in Sept., 1981.

(b) Bro. Howard Collins moved that Bro. Paul Stroupe be ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry. The motion was seconded and a unanimous standing vote was given by the members present.

(c) It was further moved that Bro. Stroupe be ordained during our Regular Conference service in October, 1981. This motion was seconded and a unanimous vote given by the members present.

(d) The clerk of the Church was admonished to write the letter to the association, and the letter to our sister Churches announcing Bro. Stroupe's ordination.

(e) Moved, seconded and voted that Brothers Roy Barbee, Gene Harris, and Larry Dees be appointed as messages to the 1981 Bear Creek Association. Bro. Melvin Green was appointed as alternate.

Aug, 1981

6th Treasurer Report

General Treasury Balance	#343.94
Balance on Interest	12,546.40

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosney, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday, Sept. 5, 1981 and had prayer by Bro. Ronnie Williams followed with preaching by Bro. Paul Stroupe and Eld. Charles Smith. The order of business was as follows for Regular Conference:

1st Invited Visiting Brethren and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual heater of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reports or unfinished business
(a) Church Clerk read proposed letter to the 1981 Association.
(b) Motion was made, seconded, and voted that the aforementioned letter be adopted and sent by the appointed messages to the 1981 Bear Creek Association.
(c) Motion made, seconded, and voted that the amount of money to be given in support of the Association be left open until all money has been collected and that full amount be filled in by the appointed messages.

Sept, 1981

(d) Church Clerk read proposed letter announcing Bro. Paul Strunjas ordination to Elder to be sent to all sister churches.

(e) Motion, seconded, and voted that the aforementioned letter be sent by the Church Clerk to all sister Churches in the Bear Creek Association.

4th Published an open door for the reception of new members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business. Found none.

6th Treasurer's Report

General Treasury Balance	$ 379.63
Balance on Interest	12,546.04

Minutes approved as read

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosby, Church Clerk.

October, 1981 Conference Minutes written on separate pages - attached to next page (22).

On Friday night October 9, 1981 after prayer by Bro. Paul Stroupe Meadow Creek Church convened in special conference to discuss plans for paving of selected sections of the church grounds for use as a driveway and parking lot. The order of business was as follows:

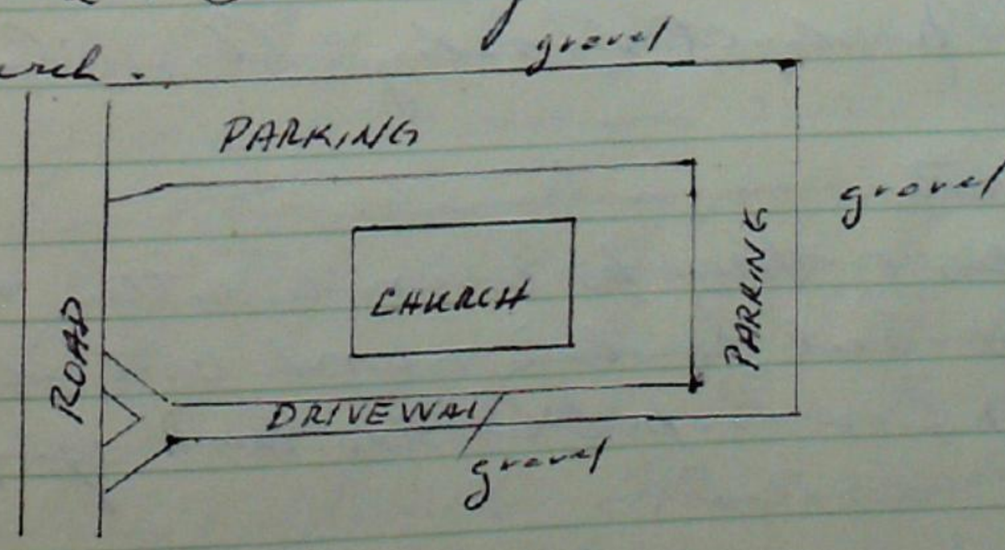
1. Bro. Howard Collins reported a generous donation by Paul Rushing of complete grading work for which the church was most grateful. His grading had prepared the church property for paving and thus created the need for this conference.

2. The two (2) proposals for paving were as follows:

(a) All paving to be done with Asphalt.
- Total estimated cost $13,000.
- Advantage - fast to put down, relatively inexpensive
- Disadvantages - not long lasting, not very weather resistant, only 2" deep.

(b) All paving to be done with Concrete.
- Total estimated cost $14,000 - $15,000.
- Advantage - long lasting, strong, 4" deep.
- Disadvantage - somewhat more costly.

3. Proposed paving to include parking area to the south side of the church and rear of the church. Driveway on the north side of the church.



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4. Bro. Howard Collins moved to pave the afore mentioned area with 4" of concrete. Motion was seconded by Bro. Marshall Gasby and voted unanimously by the members present.

A discussion of placing gravel on the edge of this parking area and driveway was favorably received by the members present and considered ~~to~~ to be a part of the motion in par. 4 of these minutes.

5. Motion was made by Bro. J.C. Honycutt to cut down a row of trees immediately beside of the dirt road that borders the rear of the cemetary and that the cemetary fund be used to share in the expense of this action. His motion was seconded and favorably voted by the members present.

6. A discussion of a trust fund for the cemetary produced no action at this time and it was mutually agreed to discuss the matter further at our next regular conference meeting in November.

No other business was found and the conference was adjourned.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gasby, Ch. Clerk

Clerk's note:

Letters of thanks were written to
(1) Paul Rushing - work contributed
(2) Ben Pippst Construction - equipment donated.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, NC met Saturday October 31, 1981 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith, followed with preaching by Elder Paul Stroupe and Elder Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats - all present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business
a) Bro. Ray Eudy explained the idea of a Cemetery Trust Fund and its use and establishment.
b) Church Clerk read the proposed Cemetary Trust Fund Agreement submitted by Bro. Ray Eudy.
c) ~~Bro.~~ Elder Paul Stroupe recommended the passage of the agreement.
d) Bro. Hulett Almond moved for the establishment of a Cemetary Trust Fund. The motion was seconded, and, after a question of the Church's ability to totally control the use of the Cemetary was assured, a unanimous vote in favor was given by the members present.
e) Bro. Jerry Dees moved for the adoption of the Trust Agreement submitted by Bro. Ray Eudy and read by the Church Clerk. This motion was seconded and a unanimous vote was given by the members present.
f) Bro. Marshall Gabby moved Bro. Ray Eudy be appointed as Trustee designated to look after the Funds of the Cemetary Trust Fund. This motion was seconded and given a unanimous

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voted by the members present.
g) Bro. Ray Ewdy moved that Bro. Roy Barber serve as the third member from Meadow Creek Church on the Cemetary Committee. This motion was seconded and given a unanimous vote by the members present.
- Additions to this motion.
- Cemetary Committee now composed of Brother Ray Ewdy, Rob Barber, and Hulett Almond from Meadow Creek Church, and Atlas Barber, a member of the local community.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.
a) Moved, seconded, and voted that a new light be placed outside the church next to the parking lot.
b) Moved, seconded, and voted that Eld. Cecil Dansby be asked to speak at Meadow Creek on Wed, Nov 25, 1981.

6th Treasurer Report:
a) General Treasury Balance $949.32
b) Balance on hand $2,669.62

* Note Treasurer reported he had not received all Bills from new parking lot
c) Cemetary Fund - $45 Jean Hinson
$200 Charlie Fun.

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Minutes approved as read by motion and vote.

Eld. Charles Smith Moderator
Bro- Marshall Farley, Church Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, NC, met Saturday, December 5, 1981 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith, followed with preaching by Elder Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reports or unfinished business
a) Bro. Ray Eudy reported the formal establishment of the Cemetery Trust Fund had been completed and is with Piedmont Bank and Trust Co.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business
a) Church Clerk read letter from:
- Union Church - announcing the ordination service for Bro. Richard Kelly to Elder and Bro. Jason Brisco to the Office of Deacon.
- Mill Chapel Church - announcing the ordination service for Brother Jay Farley and Randy Wilkins to the Office of Deacon.

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- Crooked Creek Church - announcing the ordination service for Brother Jerry Honeycutt, Durell Scruggs, and W. T. Broaddus to the office of Deacon.

6th Treasurer's Report:
a) Received $1853.00
b) Amount Treasury Balance $271.54
c) Balance on Account $226.62
- All bills paid.

Minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosby, Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, NC, met Saturday, January 2, 1982 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Elders Paul Stroupe, Newell Helms, and Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reports or unfinished business:

a) Bro. Ray Eudy reported that bad weather had postponed some of the finishing work on the parking area.

4th Published an open door for the reception of new members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business:

a) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that Eld. Charles Smith be called again as pastor of Meadow Creek Church.

b) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that Eld. Newell Helms be called to fill a Third Sunday preaching appointment.

c) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that Eld. Charles Smith be called to fill a Second Sunday preaching appointment.

d) Moved, seconded, and voted that Eld. Paul Stroupe be called to fill a Fourth Sunday preaching appointment.

e) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that the following brothers fill the associated offices:

- Bro. Marshall Eudy - Church Clerk

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-Bro. Fred Eudy - Asst. Church Clerk
-Bro. Howard Collins - Treasurer
-Bro. Ray Eudy - Heating & air conditioning
upkeep.

f) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that the church give Bro. Ray Eudy a standing vote of thanks. The motion was done.

g) Church roll was read.

h) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that the reading of the church Covenant and Rules of Decorum be postponed until the February conference.

i) Church Clerk read 2 letters from Corinth Church regarding aid and council at their Jan. 10, 1982 conference.

6th Treasurer's Report:
a) General Treasury Balance - $421.17
b) Balance on Interest 3/6.62

Minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosney, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, NC, met Saturday, February 6, 1982 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith followed with preaching by Elders Paul Stamper and Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

(Feb 6, 1982 Cont.)

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.
a) Church Clerk read Church Covenant and Rules of Decorum.

4th Published an open door for the Reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.
a) Church Clerk read letter from Corinth Church.

6th Treasurer's Report:
a) General Treasury Balance $363.54
b) Balance on Interest 577.71

Minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith Moderator
Bro. Marshall Godley, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, NC, met Saturday, March 6, 1982 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith followed with preaching by Elders Hoyle Simpson and Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brethren and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

(Mar. 6, 1982 cont.)

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business. Found none.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.
a) Moved, seconded, and voted that worn songbooks be repaired.

6th Treasurer's Report:
a) General Treasury Balance #185.29
b) Balance on Interest #5,577.71

* Note: Treasurer announced a most generous gift of $5,000 to the Church by Ann Jones Hinson for use in the care and maintenance of Meadow Creek Church. The entire Church stood to show their appreciation for this gift and their love for this dear sister.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshal Stanley, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, N.C. met Saturday, April 3, 1982 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith, followed with preaching by Elders Charles Smith and Paul Strayer. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of

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business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business. Found none

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.

a) Motion made, seconded, and voted that Church Deacons determine a probable location for a water cooler.

6th Treasurer's Report

a) General Treasury Balance $269.00
b) Balance in Savings $5577.71

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Hosley, Church Clerk.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, NC met Saturday May 1, 1982 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith followed with preaching by Elders Paul Strayer and Charles Smith. After greeting the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

(May 1, 1982 cont.)

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters
guests. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of
the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished
business.

a) Bro. Marshall Gaskey reported on the cost of rebinding worn song books and purchasing new books. Any action to purchase or repair was delayed pending further study.

b) Bro. Howard Collins reported he felt there was no room (space) to put a water cooler in the upstairs portion of the Church.

c) Discussion made, to be located in the basement of the Church was felt to be a good alternative. ~~and~~ A cost of $650 for a unit which will produce 2 pounds per hour and a total of 30 pounds.

d) Motion made, seconded, and voted that action on this item be tabled until our next conference.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business
a) Motion made, seconded, and voted that the Church enter into our annual meeting on the first weekend in June.

6th Treasurer's Report
a) General Treasury Balance $319.50
b) Balance on Interest $5577.71

(May 1, 1982 Cont.)

Minutes approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Hasley, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, N.C. met Saturday, June 5, 1982 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Elders Paul Strouse and Charles Snotch. After preaching the Church entered into Regular Conference. The order of business was as followed:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the absent. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.
a) Eld. Smith confirmed Bro. Clifford Neal's readiness for baptism.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business
a) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that we call in our first Sunday meeting in July in order to be with them in that communion at that time.
b) Eld. Paul Strouse told of an offer from Ernest Eudy to pay for the covering of our church pews with any fabric

(June 5, 1982 Cont.)

or manner we Choose.

(c) Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously that the Church receive the Lafon mentioned gift from Ernest Eudy.

d) Moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that Bro. Michael Eudy and the Deacon along with the wives serve as a committee to select the material and manner in which the vest covering is to be made, and, be brought before the Church for their consent.

e) Church Clerk read the minutes of the council meeting held by Hyde Hill Church with Church Members on May 1, 1982.

6th Treasurer's Report

a) General Treasury Balance $226.00
b) Balance on Interest $ 557.71
c) A gift of $2,000. to the Cemetary Trust Fund by Bro. and Sis. Call Rae Efird was announced.
d) Cemetary Trust Fund Balance $4,537.00

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday, July 3, 1982 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Elder Charles Smith - Lifted preaching the Church Covenant in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows

1st Invited all visiting brethren and sisters to seats.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church

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Found all at place.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.
a) Bro. Howard Collins reported the committee designated to cover the pews met with and talked to several companies who specialize in covering church pews. Church Interiors offered a quotation that Bro. Collins outlined to the church.
b) Bro. Ray Ewly reported that the workmanship of Church Interior seemed to be superior to all other such companies they had inquested.
c) Bro. Collins moved that the Church purchase not only the seat covering, as had been previously voted, but also the back covering. (for an anticipated $2,000. additional cost.). This motion was seconded and voted unanimously, and, it was further agreed by all present that the Church would pay any ~~cost~~ additional cost not covered by Mr. Ewly's offer.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.
a) Moved, seconded, and voted that the church be repainted on the inside.
b) Bro. Hubert Almond reported that the approximate cost to repaint the ceiling and walls and fill in all cracks would be $1,800.
c) The Deacons and their wives would determine the color.

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6th Treasurer's Report
a) General Treasury Balance $212.00
b) Balance on Account $5,577.71

Minutes were approved as read.

Elder Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosby, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C., met Saturday, July 31, 1982 and had prayer by Elder Charles Smith followed with preaching by Elders Paul Stroupe and Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

a) Bro. Howard Collins read a letter from Church Interiors Co. which stated they had processed our order and were anticipating in the very near future.
b) Bro. Ray Eudy reported the walls would be painted soft white and the ceiling would be painted ~~out~~ ceiling white.
c) Bro. Ray Eudy moved that the brick Archway over the pulpit be painted the same color as the walls. After some discussion of the matter the motion

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was defeated by a vote of 7 to 17.

d) Eld. Paul Hoyle reported that after discussing the anticipated cost of covering the Church pew seats with Mr. Eudy, he agreed the same was still available with him.

4th Published an open door for the reception of members.

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business

a) After some discussion a motion to raise the amount of ~~$~~ insurance coverage to 80% of the cost to rebuild the Church if it were destroyed was made. The motion was seconded and carried by a majority vote of the members present.

b) A motion was made, seconded, and voted to issue a statement to any interested person desiring to purchase any church property that it is not for sale.

c) A letter was read by Bro. Joe Robinson requesting the Church open its doors to a group desiring to visit our church on Wednesday, October 20, 1982 at 11:00 a.m. A motion was made to this effect and was seconded, and voted unanimously. The Church Clerk was instructed to write a letter of invitation to these brethren and sisters.

d) Motion was made, seconded, and voted that Bro. Gary Carpenter, Bro. J. C. Honeycutt, and Bro. Dan Harris serve as messengers to the Bear Creek Association and Bro. Marshall Hasley serve as alternate messenger.

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e) Moved, seconded, and voted that the Church Clerk write the letter from Meadow Creek to this years Association.

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday, July 31, 1982 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith followed with preaching by Eld. Paul Strope and Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church. Found all at peace.

3rd Called for deferred or unfinished business.

a) Bro. Howard Collins read a letter from Church Interiors indicating they had processed our order and were anticipating installation in the very near future.

b) Bro. Ray Eudy reported the walls would be painted soft white and the ceiling would be ceiling white.

c) Bro. Ray Eudy made a motion that the brick archway over the pulpit be painted the same color as the walls. The motion was seconded. After some discussion, the motion was defeated by a vote of 7 to 17.

d) Eld. Paul Strope reported that after discussing the cost of covering the church pews with Mrs. Eudy, he had agreed the anticipated cost

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanley County, NC met Saturday, September 4, 1982 and had prayer by Eld. Charles Smith followed with preaching by Eld. Paul Stroupe and Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the Church convened in Regular Conference. The order of business was as follows:

1st Invited visiting brothers and sisters to seats. All present were seated.

2nd Called for the spiritual health of the Church.

3rd Called for reference or unfinished business.

a) Letter to the Association read by the Church Clerk. Motion was made, seconded, and voted that the letter be approved as read.

b) Motion made, seconded, and voted that all money amounts collected for the Association be filled in to Meadow Creek's letter and that amount be sent to the Association with our Messengers.

c) Bro. Talent Almond reported the Church painting was progressing well.

d) Bro. Howard Collins reported the insurance on the church had been increased and acquired (paid).

e) Bro. Howard Collins reported that Mr. Eudy his check for #3,200. to the Church to pay the cost of covering the Church pews.

f) Moved, seconded, and voted that the Church Clerk write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Eudy for his generous gift.

4th Publicized an open door for the reception of members.

(Sept 4, 1982 cont)

5th Called for new or miscellaneous business.
a) Bro. Clifford Neal spoke of his feelings and inspiration to the church.

Note: Bring up Wed, Oct. 20 meeting at October Conference.

6th Treasurers Report
a) General Treasury Balance $66.27
b) Balance on Interest $5,577.71
c) Cemetary Trust Fund
1- Collection $1,560.00
2- Balance $6,414.24

Minutes approved as read.

Eld. Charles Smith, Moderator
Bro. Marshall Gosby, Church Clerk

Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Stanly County, N.C. met Saturday, October 2, 1982 and had prayer by Bro. Marshall Gosby followed with preaching by Eld. Charles Smith. After preaching the church convened in regular conference. The order of business was as follows:

Brother Paul Stroupe

In response to a request for ordained help to assist in the ordination of Brother Paul Stroupe to the full work of the gospel ministery, the following formed a presbytery at Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Saturday Afternoon, October 3, 1981

Elders: CHARLES SMITH, NEWELL HELMS & HARVEY CARPENTER

Deacons: HOWARD COLLINS, JOE ROBINSON, RAY. EUDY, FRED EUDY, FRANK MEDLIN, LONNIE EURY, T. B. CORLEE, CLAYTON GRIFFIN, MELVIN. MILLS, CARL HAIGLER, BARRY HELMS, OREN BALCOM, KENNETH AUSTIN, BILL FINCHER, C. C. FURR, CHARLIE HATLEY, FLOYD THOMAS, EARL PRESSLEY, LANE VANHOY AND VERLON CORBITT

1- Elected officers of presbytery by move, second, and unanimous vote of the presbytery as follows:

Moderator: ELD. CHARLES SMITH

Clerk: BRO. KENNETH AUSTIN

To examine candidate: ELD. NEWELL HELMS

Spokesman for the church: BRO. HOWARD COLLINS

To offer ordination prayer: ELD. HARVEY CARPENTER

To deliver the charge: ELD. CHARLES SMITH

2- All offices being filled Brother Stroupe was invited to sit with the presbytery:

3- He was questioned as to his calling and qualification to the work of the gospel ministery. ALL QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE PRESBYTERY.

4- The ordination prayer was offered while the laying on of hands was administered by the Presbytery.

5- The charge was then delivered.

6- Meadow Creek Church was asked if satisfied with the work of the presbytery and the work was ACKNOWLEDGED AS ACCEPTABLE.

7- The minute of the ordination was read, all corrections made and the minute approved, and the presbytery dissolved. Elder Paul Stroupe was returned into the hands of Meadow Creek Church, an ordained minister of the gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He was extended the right hand of fellowship by the presbytery and the congregation.

Elder CHARLES SMITH Moderator of presbytery

Brother KENNETH AUSTIN Clerk of presbytery

We the undersigned Elders and Deacons of the Primitive Baptist faith at the request of Meadow Creek Church, Locust, Stanly County, North Carolina, did form a presbytery and ordain Brother Paul Stroupe to the full work of the gospel ministery, Saturday afternoon, October 3, 1981

Elders: Elder Charlie Smith
Harvey L Caudle
W. Newell Helms

Deacons:

- Howard Collier
- Frank Medlin
- T. B. Carlee
- Carl J Haigler
- Clayton V. Griffin
- Billy Finches
- Barry Helms
- Jamie Long
- Jane Causey
- C C Burris
- Melvin Miller
- Joe Robinson
- Charlie Watley
- Verlon Corbitt
- Aaron Bascom
- Floyd Thomas
- Ray Eudy
- Fred Eudy
- W. Earl Bressler
- Jamie Austin

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Dear Brethren and Sisters:

We, the members of Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church, send greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. The Peace and Fellowship of our Lord abides with us and we pray He abides with you.

In our Conference meeting of Saturday, August 1, 1981, Meadow Creek Church voted to ordain Brother Paul Stroupe to the full work of the gospel ministry. The Ordination Service is scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 1981 during our Regular Conference. Song service will begin at 1:30 p.m. and the Ordination Service at 2:00 p.m.

We request the presence of all your members and the assistance of your Ordained Brethren at this service.

Yours in Christian Love,
Members of Meadow Creek Church
Elder Charles Smith, Moderator

Marshall Gaskey, Church Clerk